



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/678,202  
Applicant : BAR-OR et al.  
Filed : September 29, 2000  
TC/Art Unit : 1653  
Examiner : David Lukton  
Atty Docket No. : 4172-3  
Customer No. : 22442  
Title : "METAL-BINDING COMPOUNDS AND USES THEREFOR"

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of October 7, 2003 (Paper No. ). Enclosed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from January 7, 2004 to April 7, 2004, as well as a check in the amount of \$475.00 as the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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